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## **JUNE 2011**

### **4-H FOLKS IN FOCUS**

Thanks to Brook, Lacie, Miranda and Stephanie Johnson, Alma and Makayla Longmire, and Dawn and Melissa Sherseith for handing out water at the Women's Run.

Last month we missed Fruit Sale winner Dustin Huntington who sold 59 boxes of fruit this year. Way to go!

Thanks to the following Huntley Eagles 4-H Club members for doing flags at the May Council meeting: Gavin Bohanen, Allison Combs, Nicole Downey, Ember Sian, and Spencer Siewert.

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### **4-H COUNCIL MEETING**

There will be a 4-H Council Meeting Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 105 at the Courthouse. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting.

### **TYLER FAMILY THANK YOU**

Thank you to all the 4-H and FFA families that have helped us through this difficult time since our barn burned on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and we lost a lot of our animals. We can't thank you enough for your love, support, prayers, donations and continued support as we prepare to clean up and rebuild.

Tom, Ann, Cody and Shane Tyler

### **CLOVERBUD DAY CAMP**

Cloverbud Camp will be held Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are in this newsletter. Forms can also be printed off our 4-H County website. We encourage you to attend this fun day!

### **EMAILING THE 4-H EXTENSION OFFICE**

Just a reminder that when you are emailing attachments to Roni Baker, Brandy or Leslie please save the attachment in a .pdf format. This increases our odds of being able to open the attachment. Also, the county's email server has very sensitive security. When we receive a message from you, we will respond to the message. If you do not receive a response from the person to whom you were sending the email, call us to confirm. Sometimes we need to email you first before our security program will let your emails into our system.

Don't forget to check out the Yellowstone County 4-H website at [www.co.yellowstone.mt.gov/extension/county4h](http://www.co.yellowstone.mt.gov/extension/county4h) or the State 4-H website at [www.montana4h.org](http://www.montana4h.org) For program and event information and forms.

### **FAIR ENTRIES DUE FRIDAY JULY 1<sup>st</sup>**

2011 MontanaFair Books are now available online at [www.montanafair.com](http://www.montanafair.com) by selecting "MontanaFair" and then "Exhibitors." Fair books and entry forms are **only** online. The Extension Office will print limited copies from the fair website for those of you without internet capabilities. This year entry forms are due **FRIDAY, July 1<sup>st</sup>**.

When filling out entry forms, please follow these guidelines:



**MONTANA**  
STATE UNIVERSITY

**EXTENSION**

1. **ALL FAIR ENTRIES ARE DUE IN THE EXTENSION OFFICE FRIDAY, JULY 1<sup>st</sup> by 5:00 p.m.** - Entries received by this deadline will not incur a late charge. Entries received after 5:00 p.m. on July 1, 2011 and before 5:00 p.m. on July 8, 2011 will incur a \$40 per exhibitor late fee. No late entries will be accepted without payment. Entries submitted after 5:00 p.m. on July 8, 2011 **will not** be accepted. **NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**
2. There are separate forms for Department A and Department N. Be sure to fill out both sides. Members and parents must sign the form.
3. We need birthdates of all members on all forms (be sure to include the year).
4. Entry forms must be complete online via the fair website [www.montanafair.com](http://www.montanafair.com). The Extension Office will have computers available for use should you not own a computer or have internet access.
5. Send Open Class and other Department entries to MetraPark.
6. Out-of-county and FFA exhibitors - you **MUST** have the signature of your County Agent or advisor on your entry form verifying you are enrolled in those projects.
7. Reminder - you can only enter in projects in which you are enrolled - that includes all livestock projects.
8. Be sure you have entered what you want to before you send your entry form electronically. Once the entry has been sent electronically we cannot make changes.
9. Print a copy of your entry form so you know what you have entered.
10. In Department N (non-livestock), and Department A (livestock) members may lose their premium money if they scratch more than 4 items on their entry blank.
11. Please refer to the online Dept. N and A schedules for both departments. Some things may be added.
12. If you plan to enter a livestock showmanship class, you **MUST** put it on your entry form - you can **NOT** add it at the fair. The divisions you can enter are: beginner, junior or senior.
13. All Yellowstone County pre-fair events, Cat Show, Dog Show, Communication Day Contest, Quilt Show, Showcase, Skillathon, Small Animal Judging, Meat I.D. Contest, Livestock Judging, etc., must be entered on your Department N entry form. If your pre-fair county events are not listed on your entry form, you will not receive premium money for those exhibits.
14. Members wishing to participate in the Quiz Bowl need to enter on their own form. Teams will be made randomly.

## 4-H ICE CREAM BOOTH AT MONTANA FAIR

All clubs in Yellowstone County are required to work the ice cream booth during fair. Funds raised in the ice cream booth go to the 4-H Council to provide funds for 4-H projects and activities. Each adult working a two hour shift will be given two gate admission tickets. The schedule below indicates your club's assigned times. Thank you for your continued help in making the 4-H Ice Cream Booth a success.



### 2011 Ice Cream Booth Club Work Shifts

#### Saturday, August 13

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Heights Trailblazers
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Heights Trailblazers
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Ruff Riders
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Ruff Riders
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Shepherd Tumbleweeds

#### Sunday, August 14

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Worden Riverdale
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Worden Riverdale
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Shepherd Tumbleweeds
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Blue Creek Jumping Bucks
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Yellowstone Mavericks

#### Monday, August 15

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Laurel Roadrunners
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Laurel Roadrunners
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Boots n Britches
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Boots n Britches
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Project Rockin Wranglers

#### Tuesday, August 16

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Cool Clovers
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Cool Clovers
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Ruff Riders
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Lockwood Humble B's
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Lockwood Humble B's

#### Wednesday, August 17

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Explorers
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Explorers
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Town n Country
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	City Kids
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	City Kids

**Thursday, August 18**

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Shepherd Pioneers
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Shepherd Pioneers
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Project Rockin Wranglers
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Huntley Eagles
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Huntley Eagles

**Friday, August 19**

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Kountry Kritters
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Kountry Kritters
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Hesper Hustlers
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Hesper Hustlers
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Lockwood Outlaws

**Saturday, August 20**

11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	City Slickers
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	City Slickers
3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Laurel Roadrunners
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Town n Country
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Yellowstone Mavericks

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## ICE CREAM BOOTH DUTIES

Everyone working in the Ice Cream Booth should read this list of duties before working in the booth. There will be a sign in sheet at the booth when you arrive.

- At least 7 people (two adults and five 4-H members) are needed from each club for every two hour shift - five will serve the ice cream and two will handle the money. **DO NOT DO BOTH!!**
- Must be at least 12 years old to work in the booth - Organizational Leader can decide differently.
- Must be at least 16 years old to run the cash box - Organizational Leader can decide differently.
- Remember to wash your hands before starting your shift.
- You must wear one of the 4-H aprons.
- Everyone must wear the plastic gloves provided.
- Long hair must be tied back.
- No eating or drinking in the ice cream booth.
- All 4-Her's on duty must stay in the ice cream booth and work until their shift is over.
- Workers are required to wear appropriate clothing. No spaghetti strap tops, no stomachs showing, no sagging pants. If you are not dressed appropriately, you will be asked to put on a T-shirt that will be provided.
- **\*\*ADULTS ARE THERE TO SUPERVISE\*\***

**WHEN SERVING ICE CREAM**

- Be polite and smile!! Say thank you!!
- Always use a napkin to pick up and serve the cone.
- Scoop one **good size ball of ice cream.**
- Always clean the scoop between servings.
- Wipe off counters when not busy.
- Change water as needed, using cold water from laundry room.
- Set out more napkins and cones as needed.
- Clean up tables throughout your shift, as customers leave.
- When the ice cream tub is empty, write it down and throw container away.

**TO CLEAN UP**

- Start cleaning up 15 minutes before your shift ends.
- Clean out all the spilled ice cream from inside the freezers and throw it away.
- Wipe down the outsides of all the ice cream freezers.
- Wipe down the counters.
- Restock napkins and cones on the counters.
- Change scoop water and refill with cold water.
- Sweep floor in ice cream booth and surrounding area.
- Make sure tables are cleaned off and wiped down.
- Empty garbage as needed.

After your club has cleaned up, the adult in charge of your club must find the fair clerk on duty. The fair clerk will okay the clean up and only then will the clerk count your money and let you sign out.

Tickets for the purchase of ice cream from the Ice Cream Booth will be available at the Extension Office. You can give them to family and friends and let them enjoy our ice cream at the Fair. Tickets are \$2.00 each or five tickets for \$8 and will also be available on Interview Judging Day.

Questions: Call Chris Martin at 248-1425.

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## KITCHEN ITEMS NEEDED FOR DEPT N

Attention Clubs or individuals! Would you like to donate new kitchen items for the Department N kitchen at fair? Dept. N is in need of a refrigerator, extension cords and power strips. Please call Chris Martin (Dept. N co-chair) at 248-1425 should you have questions. Thank you!

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## JUNIOR COORDINATORS NEEDED

Are you looking for something to do at fair that is fun and allows you to learn a new skill? Being a Jr. Coordinator might be the answer. You will have the privilege of working with others on coordinating Big Events such as Showcase, Quiz bowl, Food Festival, Awards, and Class Judging. Plus, you will help behind the scenes on setting up Dept. N and many more fun activities. If you have any questions please call Chris Martin at 248-1425. Sign up on the Department N Fair Entry Form Division 97 Class 1.

## 2011 4-H FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

The following 4-H members were awarded Scholarships totaling over \$16,000 from the Yellowstone County 4-H Foundation.

Samantha Albrecht	Project Rockin Wranglers
Cortney Bromenshenk	Hesper Hustlers
Sky Caufield	Shepherd Pioneers
Nicole Haack	Ruff Riders
Sarah Haffey	Ruff Riders
Kelsey Johnson	Town & Country
Carrie Krug	Laurel Roadrunners
Kelesy McNeil	Town & Country
Autumn McSweyn	Kountry Kritters
Tyler Nansel	Hesper Hustlers
Dillon Sundheim	Boots & Britches
Dylan Trafford	Boots & Britches
Jena Wagner	Hesper Hustlers
Darci Wagner	Yellowstone Mavericks

Shelby Dalke, a former Huntley Eagles 4-H Club member, was a scholarship recipient from the State 4-H Foundation.

## FAIR CAMPER SPACES

Camper spaces are available at the MontanaFair again this year. They will be near the horse racing barns. The whole area will be for 4-H only. Sewer, water and electricity are available. Those wanting a space must reserve and pay by July 1<sup>st</sup>. The cost for the camper space will be \$15.00 per night. *For those of you that have made a camper space request, invoices and space agreements will be mailed to you near the end of June.* Make checks payable to METRA and MAIL TO Roni Baker, Yellowstone County Extension Office, PO Box 35021, Billings, MT 59107.

Refunds will be given until August 1<sup>st</sup>. After August 1<sup>st</sup> no refund will be given. Call the Extension Office at 256-2828 to reserve a camper space.

## EMBROIDERY THREAD NEEDED

Town and Country needs embroidery thread for their workshop at fair. If you have any you want to get rid of, please contact Ann Tyler at 861-8779.

## SEWERS NEEDED JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>

Jasmine Drange is working on her Centennial 4-H project and is looking for some sewing help. Jasmine is making Kelly Clover Costumes for each of the Montana 4-H districts. She will provide the materials. She plans on making them June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011, at 1:00 pm at the 4-H office. If you would like to help make these costumes please bring a sewing machine, bobbins, long straight pins, and white, black and kelly green thread (thread will be provided unless you want to bring some). This project uses basic sewing skills. If you have any questions call Jasmine or Jodie at 628-8839.

## EXCHANGE MEMBERS HOST DANCE

An all-ages dance will be held for our Wisconsin Exchange group on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm. It will be held at Oscar's Dreamland (4200 Story Road off S. Frontage Road). This is a fun get-together to learn what Exchange is all about and to meet our Wisconsin 4-H members. For information call Hope @ 248-1425.

## TELL ME YOUR STORY EVENT

Join us for a Speak Out Leadership Event. Speak Out for Military Kids (SOMK) is a youth led, adult sponsored project that generates community awareness on issues faced by youth of military families before, during and after a parent's deployment.

The event is for military and non-military teens in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up. It will be held July 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at the Big Horn Resort. A registration form is included in this newsletter and the deadline is June 24<sup>th</sup>.



## GET SET FOR THE FUTURE EVENT NEW JULY DATE!

Have you ever wondered how to program a robot, how wind energy works, or what aerospace involves? The Get SET (Science, Engineering, Technology) for the Future Operation Military Kids Day Camp is designed for youth ages 9-19 who are interested in Science, Engineering and Technology. The day will also include games and fun activities and everyone will get to participate in a Videography workshop.

The camp takes place on Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 pm at the Sage Center at MetraPark. Cost for non-military youth is \$10. There is no cost for military youth. Registration is due July 15<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are in the this newsletter or can be printed off the Yellowstone County 4-H website.

## BOOTHS NEEDED AT RELAY FOR LIFE

It's almost time for the 2011 Yellowstone County Relay For Life. Relay is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. We'll have about 2,000 people attend this year's event July 8-9, to help raise money to fight cancer. We have a lot of activities planned for adults and teens to participate in during the 13-hour overnight event.

While they will be walking the track and visiting and participating in activities, we need something for kids to do. We have an area for children's activities, however this year we could use some help in making it great. I've been to the 4-H Family Night and had a blast with my daughter! So I'm asking if any 4-H Clubs would be interested in bringing that fun to Relay this year.

Our children's activity area is open Friday, July 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 8:00 pm. We're looking for several booths with activities. For example, my daughter really enjoyed the booth that had straw in it and the kids had to collect different colored toothpicks. Ball tosses are also a lot of fun and anything to do with fishing is a big hit. It would also be great to have an area with arts and crafts. We can supply the materials needed if that is a concern. Thank you all so much for your time and I look forward to hearing from you. If you're interested please call me, Emily Nantz, Community Relationship Manager, at the American Cancer Society @ 256-7156.

## COUNTY 4-H MEETINGS

Everyone is invited to attend any 4-H meeting listed in the newsletter. This includes 4-H Council, Livestock Committee, Sale Committee, Department N, Horse and Colt Committee, etc. Decisions made at these meetings run the programs in the County 4-H program. I would encourage each club to have at least one person from their club attend these meetings. Leaders and parents involved in these areas can become more informed and plan activities. Youth attendance is greatly encouraged. Come make decisions about your program!

## 2011 MONTANAFAIR BOOK

The 2011 MontanaFair books and entry forms for Dept. A and N are now online at [www.montanafair.com](http://www.montanafair.com) The Extension Office will print limited copies from the fair website for those of you without internet capabilities. We will have computers available for use at the Extension Office. Completed hard copies of your entry forms can be dropped off at the Extension Office.

## YOUR CHANCE TO BE A SUPERHERO!

Your help is needed! The combined POWER of you, your club and your county have the ability to make a change in Montana and help fight hunger. Each county's 4-H Congress delegation will take collected food items with them to Montana 4-H Congress! Please bring your non perishable food items to the Yellowstone County Extension Office by Friday July 8<sup>th</sup>. No rusty or unlabeled cans please! Food will be donated to the Montana Food Bank Network.

Consider Bringing: Canned Meats....Canned Fruits...  
Canned Veggies....Peanut Butter....Canned Meals....  
Boxed Meals....Canned Beans....Pasta....Rice....Cereal.

## SCRAPBOOK WORK DAYS

Monday – June 13<sup>th</sup> – 2:00 ~ 5:00 pm  
Wednesday – June 22<sup>nd</sup> 11:00 am ~ 1:00 pm  
Come anytime any day – It is set up and ready to work on.  
Come 1 hour early to a meeting and you could work on them as well. We need your help!

## 4-H SUPPORTERS

Many businesses and organizations in our community support 4-H. Each month I have been listing several of those supporters in the newsletter. I would encourage you to tell them thank you and support them in return. If you would like to submit names for this article, please send them to Roni.

Ideal Technical	Miller's Horse Palace
Eagle Vision Daycare	Louis Dubs, DDS
Selle Livestock	Grand Shopping Center
Northern Livestock Video	

## DEPARTMENT N NEWS ...

### DEPARTMENT N JUNE MEETING

Please plan on attending the Department N meeting on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Room 105 of the Courthouse. We will evaluate and make suggestions for next years Showcase. Fair plans will also be discussed.

### DEPARTMENT N – FAIR

We are looking for individuals or groups who would like to do a workshop/information session at the fair. All youth and adults are invited to do this. We want to have lots of activities happening in the building. You can select the time during the fair when you would like to do your presentation. Contact Roni at the Extension Office so she can get you on the schedule.

### CAKE KIDS

We will meet on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Courthouse Room 105. We'll be doing a summer themed cake. Think beach, lake, ocean, etc. I will bring piping gel for water, gum paste, & rolled fondant. Bring cake, icing, edible goodies (e.g., teddy grahams, pretzels, fruit roll ups, gummy fish, etc.) 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> year bring a 2-layer cake to do your summer theme. Everyone bring boards and decorating tools. RSVP by Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> to the Extension Office @ 256-2828 or Carol @ 839-7420 (leave a message). We apologize for having to cancel the May workshop. Please watch you email for messages! Thanks and see you there - Carol

## CERAMICS WORKSHOP

Ceramics will meet the afternoon of Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. We will be learning how to pour molds to create a greenware pieces. Call Marilyn Klein @ 697-4015 to confirm time and location of workshop.

## MAKE IT WITH WOOL

The Montana Make It With Wool contest will take place in Billings on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Montana Make It With Wool (MIWW) sewing competition is open to anyone that sews with wool fabric or knits/crochets with wool yarn. Montana MIWW follows all national contest rules. All samples will be tested at a wool lab. Entry forms and additional information are available at the Extension Office. The National MIWW contest will be held in Scottsdale, AZ, on January 26-28, 2012.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO SHOWCASE WINNERS

### Senior Ready-to-Wear

Buying: Moriah Miller

Senior Overall Appearance: Stephanie Horsman

Senior Overall Winner: Ready-to-Wear - Jasmine Drange

### Ready-to-Wear 9 – 11

Buying: Brooke Johnson

Over-All Appearance: Andee Baker

### Ready-to-Wear 12 – 13

Buying: Cortlin Beck

Over-All Appearance: Andrea Miller

Junior Overall Winner: Ready-to-Wear - Emily Rath

### Advanced Sewing

Presentation: Jasmine Drange

### Advanced Intermediate Sewing

Construction: Nicole Haack

Presentation: Corinna Bickel

### Intermediate Sewing

Construction: Ella Wilkinson & Shreane Reay

### Beginner Sewing

Construction: Brooke Johnson & Susie Chesterman

Presentation: Andee Baker & Kelsey Beck

Senior Overall Sewing Winner: Brianna Baeten

Junior Overall Sewing Winner: Cortlin Beck

### Display

Emily Rath & Shreane Reay

### Costume Category

Heidi Froelich & Brooke Johnson

Duct Tape

Heidi Froelich, Shreane Reay & Andee Baker  
 Senior Constuction: (1<sup>st</sup>) Jasmine Drange (2<sup>nd</sup>) Nicole Haack

Special thanks to the small, hardworking committee and everyone who volunteered the day of Showcase.

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## QUILT SHOW RESULTS

Congratulations to all who entered the quilt show.

Small Quilt Elizabeth Miller, Brooke Johnson & Stephanie Horsman

Medium Quilt Emily Rath, Julia Lober & Keith Crable

Large Quilt Carrie Kurg, Rebecca Quanbeck & Jasmine Drange

Adult Quilt Shannon Crable & Katie Stott

Group Quilt Rebecca Quanbeck, Ellie Miller, Bailey Dougherty, Julia Lober, Steffanie Gabel, Stephanie Horsman, and Keith Crable

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## SHOWCASE & QUILT SHOW SPONSORS

A special thanks to all of the businesses who donated items to make the 2011 show a success:

Backdoor Quilt Shoppe	Bernina Sewing Center
Four Winds Quilting	Scott Froelich Family
Jo-Ann Fabric and Crafts	Hancock Fabrics
Mountain View Quilt Shop	Sewing Center West
Spring Blossom Creations	Laura Yothers
Stillwater Co. 4-H Council	Trackside Quilting
Yellowstone County 4-H Council	
Yellowstone County 4-H Foundation	

Start planning now for next year's show!

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## LIVESTOCK NEWS...

### HORSE ID CARDS DUE MAY 31

A reminder to all horse members, you must have a completed Horse ID card with a photo of your horse, proof of vaccination (stapled to the back of the card), and your leader's signature into the Extension Office by Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. If you do not have a completed card in the

office, you cannot enter the fair. Horse ID cards are available from your leader or at the Extension Office.

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## HORSE FINAL ASSESSMENTS

Final assessment forms signed by the leader are due into the Extension Office on June 15<sup>th</sup>. The level you are in on June 15<sup>th</sup> is the one you will show at for Fair. You must also be signed up for all options by this deadline.

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## LAST ANIMAL QUALITY ASSURANCE TRAINING SCHEDULE

Anyone planning on exhibiting animals at the MontanaFair must have attended an Animal Quality Assurance Workshop.

**2011 New Policy:** 4-H members are required to take Animal Quality Assurance once as a beginner age 8-10, once as a junior age 11-13, and once as a senior age 14 and older. This age is based on their 4-H age – age as of Oct. 1 when the 4-H year starts. If the young person has taken the class as a junior they do not need to take the class again until they turn 14. The member only needs to take the class once when they are over the age of 14. A parent or guardian must attend the class with the child.

There will be hands on, group activities. Please plan on arriving on time and staying for the complete 1½ hours. If you are not in attendance for the complete training you may be asked to attend another session. Plan on attending a session early in the year so conflicts do not occur in your family schedule. More classes will **NOT** be added after the June 4<sup>th</sup> class.

June 4- Saturday - 9:00 ~ 10:30 a.m.

PAYS - Swine/Sheep Tagging (kgs5/29/10)

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## LAST HORSE HELMET WORKSHOP!

June 15 – Wed., 7:00 ~ 8:00 p.m. – Courthouse Rm. 105

**Montana State University Extension:**

**4-H Horse Helmet Policy**

**Participants (and a parent or guardian) in the 4-H Horse Project are required to attend a helmet education workshop and view the video "Every Ride**

**Every Time" once as a junior 4-H member (9-13) and once as a senior 4-H member (14 and up).** This age is based on their 4-H age – age as of Oct. 1 when the 4-H year starts. If the young person has taken the class as a junior they do not need to take the class again until they turn 14. The member only needs to take the class once when they are over the age 14. A parent or guardian must attend the class with the child.

After attending a 4-H Helmet Workshop, riders may choose whether or not they will wear a certified helmet. It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian of the 4-H member to see that the headgear worn complies with such standards and is in good condition. The Montana 4-H Center for Youth Development encourages the use of ASTM certified/SEI approved safety helmets in all equine events. Protective headgear may be used in all classes and shall not be discriminated against. Helmet use is encouraged in all 4-H horse activities any time a 4-H member is around a horse. A certified equestrian helmet with safety harness fastened in place is required in over fence classes and gymkhana events, activities, and practice sessions. Gymkhana refers to horseback speed events (timed or un-timed) that do not use livestock. Events that usually fall in this category include, but are not limited to: barrel racing, pole bending, keyhole races, stake races, rescue races, pony express race, etc. Events that are not intended to be included in this policy are events such as calf roping, team roping, goat tying, and team penning that may be timed but use livestock.

All 4-H sponsored horse shows will follow this helmet policy. **More classes will NOT be added after the June 15<sup>th</sup> class. This is the final opportunity for 2011.**

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## RETURN SKILLATHON MATERIALS

Please return all Skillathon stations, materials, etc. to the Extension Office no later than Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. No Exceptions!

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## SKILLATHON

Skillathon will be held in conjunction with small animal judging on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in the Sage Center at MetraPark. Large animal 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon. Small animal skillathon will be available to participants all morning. Small animal will take place 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. if necessary. Skillathon and animal judging are required if

you intend on entering All Around at the Fair. You do not have to enter All Around to participate in the Skillathon.

**No separate registration form is required. You must sign up for Small Animal Judging on your Department A Fair entry as Division 3, Class (select) 1 – 4.**

**Skillathon will not be offered at the fair!** Volunteers are needed to facilitate stations. Watch the 4-H newsletter for more information.

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## SKILLATHON CONTEST

A Skillathon or "Livestock Learning Laboratory" is an excellent method of involving youth in challenging, learn-by-doing activities. The purpose of the Skillathon is to evaluate member knowledge, their skill in applying that knowledge and their attitudes and understanding of the knowledge and projects.

It is designated in a series of mini-learning stations with a facilitator at each station. Members rotate from station to station, attempting to perform specific tasks. There will be three stations in each of the 5 large animal areas and 5 small animal areas. There will be an interview/scoring judge at each station. Twenty points will be available at each station.

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## SMALL ANIMAL JUDGING CONTEST

The Small Animal Judging Contest will be held on **Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011**, in the Sage Center at MetraPark. Check-In from 8:30 to 8:45 a.m. with the contest starting at 9:00 am.

**No separate registration form is required. You must sign up for Small Animal Judging on your Department A Fair entry as Division 2, Class (select) 1 – 2.**

**Remember, this contest is required for the All Around Contest for small animals at fair.** This year we will do some team and group judging.

Classes may consist of, but are not limited to, poultry, rabbit, pocket pet, cat, dog, feed analysis and/or knowledge test. There will be two classes of reasons. If you have any questions, call Norma Seder at 670-5190.

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## SOUTHERN MT JACKPOT SHOWS

### Marias and Teton Feeder Show

June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Weatherbeater Barn, Choteau, MT  
Entry forms are available on the County 4-H website.  
Questions? Call Janet Hawks @ 406-432-5355 or Terry Stephens @ 406-466-2351

### Townsend Valley Jackpot Show

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Broadwater County Fairgrounds  
Questions? Call Virginia Kneer @ 406-980-2054, John Rauser @ 406-949-1733, or Mario Leachman @ 406-581-0531  
Entry forms are available on the County 4-H website.

### Worden Riverdale Premier Jackpot Show

June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Hardin Fairgrounds  
Camper spaces available with hooks up for a fee.  
Entry forms are available on the County 4-H website.

### Helena Jackpot Show

June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Lewis and Clark Fairgrounds, Helena  
Entry forms are available on the County 4-H website.  
Questions: Call Jeff Patten @ 406-449-6947

### Gillette Jackpot Show

June 11&12, 2011 ~ Gillette, WY  
For entry forms call Vicky Black @ 307-689-4441

### Huntley Eagles 4-H Club Jackpot

June 12<sup>th</sup> 2011 ~ Hardin Fairgrounds  
Contact - Bambi Dalke (406) 967-2690 or  
Trish Hays (406) 875-2152  
Camper spaces available with hooks up for a fee.

### Junior Beef Expo

June 16-18, 2011 ~ Lewistown  
For entry forms call Mardi Linhart at 406-366-4667 or  
email: mmcattleservice@yahoo.com

### Northwest College Jackpot

June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Powell, WY  
For information call Quin @ 307-899-3553

### Project Rockin Wranglers Goat Show

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Grassy area in front of Nile building at MetraPark  
Entry forms are available on the County 4-H website.  
Questions? Call Connie McQuire @ 671-9304 or Tracy Siemion @ 208-3532

### Dillon Feeder Show

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 ~ Dillon, MT  
For information call Shelli Schuett @ 406-683-2406 or  
email shooit@zipmt.com

### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Yellowstone Classic ~ June 26, 2011

For more information call Paul Bromenshenk at 656-7173.

The shows have pig, lamb and steers, plus showmanship competitions. Entry forms are available at the Extension Office or on the Yellowstone County 4-H website located under the heading "Forms".

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## SMALL ANIMAL MEETING

The next small animal committee meeting will be held on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Room 105 at the Courthouse. Anyone involved in small animal projects is invited to attend. Duties in the small animal barn will be reviewed. Each club with members in small animal projects will need to sign up for fair duties. Plan on attending to sign up.

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## JUNIOR LIVESTOCK FAIR APPRECIATION PLAQUES

Appreciation plaque nominations are due at the Livestock Committee Meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in Room 105 of the Courthouse. For nomination forms, contact the Extension Office.

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## MAY 14<sup>th</sup> CAT SHOW RESULTS

### Showmanship Results:

#### Seniors:

1<sup>st</sup> - Candace Hamilton

#### Juniors:

1<sup>st</sup> - Celestia Hammond

2<sup>nd</sup> - Eddie Gabel

3<sup>rd</sup> - Ryan Lober

4<sup>th</sup> - Steffanie Gabel

5<sup>th</sup> - Hannah Murray

6<sup>th</sup> - Brianne Malchow

#### Beginners:

1<sup>st</sup> - Rachel Hamilton

2<sup>nd</sup> - Elizabeth Bushard

3<sup>rd</sup> - Sarah Murray

4<sup>th</sup> - Sabrina Wolcott

### Cat Judging Results:

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Year Member:

1<sup>st</sup> - Elizabeth Bushard

2<sup>nd</sup> - Sabrina Wolcott

3<sup>rd</sup> - Eddie Gabel

4<sup>th</sup> - Ryan Lober

2<sup>nd</sup> Year Member:1<sup>st</sup> - Rachel Hamilton2<sup>nd</sup> - Celestia Hammond3<sup>rd</sup> - Hanna Murray4<sup>th</sup> - Sarah Murray3<sup>rd</sup> Year and Over Member:1<sup>st</sup> - Brianne Malchow2<sup>nd</sup> - Candace Hamilton3<sup>rd</sup> - Staffanie Gabel**DOG SHOW**

The annual dog show (our fair event) will be held on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, at the old Ace Hardware in Billings heights. Registration forms were mailed to all enrolled Dog Project members. Registration deadline is Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you did not receive a registration form, one can be printed off the County 4-H website under "Other Forms" or may be picked up at the Extension Office.

**CLUB CORNER**

The following clubs turned in club minutes this month.

**Blue Creek Jumping Bucks** – The club took a tour of the Audubon Conservation Education Center.

**City Kids** – The club talked about Metra Clean up and planned a swimming day. We made May baskets.

**City Slickers** – We talked about camp, fair, the gun show and a fun day at the Reef for the club.

**Cool Clovers** – We held a bake sale/BBQ, petting zoo and bee exhibit at Tractor Supply in Laurel. Town clean up was planned.

**Project Rockin Wranglers** – Project meetings and events were announced.

**Ruff Riders** – Members gave great project meeting reports. The club picnic and float for the parade were talked about.

**Shepherd Pioneers** – We had a guest with the Search and Rescue bring her dog for a presentation. The club held their birthday party.

**Shepherd Tumbleweeds** – Important dates were announced. The club is doing a fundraiser. Many members did demonstrations and short takes.

**Yellowstone Mavericks** – Fruit Sale prizes were given out. Fair was discussed.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Today as it did 100 years ago, 4-H emphasizes the traditional values that have been part of the program since its inception. 4-H projects support the personal growth and life skills development of members through hands-on learning where they practice life skills like communicating effectively, getting along with others, responsibility, decision-making, record-keeping and financial management.

Youth get to do really fund things in 4-H because nearly 4, 000 youth and adult volunteers donate approximately 200,000 hours in planning and conducting exciting activities. Economic impact of this volunteer service equals 2.8 million dollars and is equivalent to 104 full time staff positions.

4-H is different from many other youth programs because it focuses on science, engineering and technology, healthy living and citizenship through project like raising animals, clothing and textiles, food and nutrition, photography, cowboy heritage and international exchange programs.

Montana 4-H is spearheading a number of technology programs to help prepare youth for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Robotics, GPS and GIS workshops have taken place around the state. Teams of 4-H youth are mapping, geo-caching, filming and exploring robotics in their local communities.

Teen ambassador and leader training programs give youth and adults opportunities to learn and practice leadership skills which benefit them and their communities throughout their lives.

4-H alumni are more involved in community activities as adults – more involved in Chambers of Commerce, more involved in faith-based organizations and more involved in community events and activities.

The Montana 4-H Foundation currently funds over \$100,000 annually to 4-H programs and projects. The Foundation helps fund the annual project selection guide and Montana 4-H Congress and provides financial support for leadership training for adult leaders, Extension Agents and the 4-H Ambassador Officers. The Foundation also awards mini-grants to 4-H clubs for community service.





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